

Dear Distinguished Members of the Judiciary Committee,

Please oppose S.B. # 16 An Act Addressing Gun Violence and Juvenile Crime

Once again, legal gun owners of this state are under attack. I'm opposed to extending the list of banned firearms.

Connecticut keeps adding firearms that are in common use to the already long list. Banning firearms, firearm features, or banning 28-year-old firearms is not the answer to decreasing illegal firearms in Connecticut.

The overwhelming majority of gun crimes Connecticut are committed by prohibited persons who are not lawfully permitted to possess a firearm. In order to address illegal firearm possession and gun crimes, we must ensure that individuals who break the law are prosecuted to its fullest extent.

Adding additional registration legislation will further stress the state's already strained and archaic registration system, as well as the hard-working employees of the DESSP/SFLU.

I ask that you NOT Support Governor Lamont's attack on the over 300,000 lawful firearm permit holders of Connecticut.

In addition, I also **OPPOSE** H.B. No. 5416 – An Act Concerning Bulk Purchases of Pistols and Revolvers.

I **Support** Raised S.B. No. 388 – An Act Concerning the Defense of a Person or A Person's Dwelling, Place of Work or Motor Vehicle.

I **Support** Raised H.B. No. 5415 – An Act Concerning the Transfer of Assault Weapons and Large Capacity Magazines.

I **Support** Raised H.B. No. 5412 – An Act Concerning the Duty to Retreat in A Religious House of Worship.

Respectfully submitted,  
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